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Notice of Open Meeting on Approval of Specialty Crop Block Grant Program Funds

Pursuant to NRS 353.337 and NRS 241, the Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, Nevada, 89431, is holding an open meeting for the approval of 2016 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (SCBGP) funding. In September of 2016, nine projects were selected by the United States Department of Agriculture for funding by the SCBGP. Before funds can be released to selected projects, an open meeting must be held inviting public comment. A meeting has been set for 10am Thursday, November 10, 2016 at:

Nevada Department of Agriculture
405 South 21st Street
Sparks, Nevada, 89431

The purpose of the meeting is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics:

Approval of approximately \$250,400.81 to be released to Nevada projects working towards enhancing the competitiveness of specialty crops. A list of the awards can be found at <https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/SCBGP2016DescriptionofFundedProjects.pdf>.

A copy of all materials relating to the proposed awards may be obtained at the workshop or by contacting:

Ashley Jeppson
SCBG Program Coordinator
Nevada Department of Agriculture
405 South 21st Street
Sparks, NV 89434
(775) 353-3675
ajeppson@agri.nv.gov

This Notice of Open Meeting to Solicit Comments on Proposed funding has been posted on the NDA's website at <http://agri.nv.gov/Outreach/Hearings, Meetings, and Workshops/> and at the following locations:

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405 South 21st Street
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2300 E. St. Louis Ave.
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Nevada Department of Agriculture Offices

FROM: Ashley Jeppson, SCBG Program Coordinator – 775-353-3675
ajeppson@agri.nv.gov Fax Number 775-353-3638

SUBJECT: Posting of Agenda for Open Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, November 10, 2016 10AM

DATE: November 1, 2016

I have attached a copy of the agenda for the Nevada Department of Agriculture, Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (SCBGP) Open Meeting that will be held at 10am on Thursday, November 10, 2016.

Please **post the agenda before 9AM on Thursday, November 3, 2016**, in order to fulfill the requirements of the open meeting law and return this memo to my attention, signed with the date of posting, as I need this for our files. Projects will be implemented October 1, 2016 through August 29, 2019.

We appreciate your assistance in this posting.

Thank you.

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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Open Meeting
Notice of Public Meeting

LOCATION: Nevada Department of Agriculture
405 S. 21st Street
Sparks, NV 89431
Phone: 775-353-3601

Video/phone-conference from: Nevada Department of Agriculture
2300 E St Louis Ave
Las Vegas, NV 89104

Nevada Department of Agriculture
4780 E. Idaho Street
Elko, NV 89801

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 10am

Pursuant to NRS 353.337 and NRS 241, Public comment will be taken on the approval of funds for the 2016 Nevada Specialty Crop Block Grant Program. The purpose is to solicit public comments from interested persons on funding received from the 2016 Nevada Specialty Crop Block Grant Program.

NRS 353.337 *If a public hearing is required in connection with a grant from the Federal Government to a state agency, commission or department, the agency, commission or department may:*

- 1. Request that the hearing be included as an item on the agenda of a meeting of the Interim Finance Committee; or*
- 2. Conduct the hearing in accordance with chapter 241 of NRS*

In September of 2016, approximately \$250,400.81 was awarded to Nevada in order to fund nine projects that will work towards enhancing the competitiveness of specialty crops. An open meeting is required to be held prior to releasing funds to projects selected by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Note: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify The Dept. of Agriculture in writing at 405 S. 21st Street, Sparks, NV 89431 or contact Ashley Jeppson at 775-353-3675.

Copies of the Open Meeting Minutes will be made available, at no charge, for inspection at the Dept. of Agriculture 405 S. 21st Street, Sparks, NV, 89431 or may be requested electronically from ajeppson@agri.nv.gov. For additional information contact Ashley Jeppson at 775-353-3675.

Notice of this meeting was posted on or before 9:00 a.m. on the third working day before the meeting at the following locations: Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 S. 21st Street, Sparks, NV 89431, Nevada Department of Agriculture, 2150 Frazer Ave., Sparks, NV 89431, Nevada Department of Agriculture, 4780 E.

Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801, Nevada Department of Agriculture, 2300 E. St. Louis Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89104, Carson City Library 900 North Roop Street, Carson City, NV 89702, and Washoe County Library 301 South Center Street, Reno, NV 89501.